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CSA-69 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2004

Members Present

Burns, Dustin – Santee School District
Chambers, Pat – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Clegg, Robin – Lakeside Comm. Planning Group
Coyle, Ken – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Howe, Kevin – Lakeside Union School District
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont
Savage, Warren – City of Santee
Voepel, Mayor Randy – City of Santee

Contract Staff Present

Baker, Mark – Lakeside Fire
Covington, Jim – Santee Fire
Pfohl, Bob – Santee Fire

County Staff Present

Lindstrom, Mark
Marcotte, R.N., Annie
Vilke, M.D., Gary

Members Absent

Guidry, Doreen – East Co. Fire Protection District
Perry, Lee – Lakeside Chamber of Commerce

Guests Present

Buono, M.D., Colleen – UCSD EMS Fellow
Buquet, Larry – Santee Firefighters' Association
Buquet, Lori – Santee Resident
Hood, Jeff – Santee Firefighters' Association
Kirkpatrick, Jim – Lakeside Firefighters' Association
Lowe, Ian – Lakeside Firefighters' Association
Quinton, Donna – Santee Firefighters' Association
Quinton, Jacob – Santee Resident
Sengebusch, John – Santee Firefighters' Association
Wallace, Harley – Santee Firefighters' Association

Recorder

Rupp, Merle

I. INTRODUCTION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Warren Savage, Chair, brought the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 13, 2004

MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Mayor Randy Voepel, to approve the minutes of May 13, 2004 as submitted. MOTION carried.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

Jim Kirkpatrick, Lakeside Firefighters' Association, asked to speak at the conclusion of agenda item VI, "Presentation, Fourth Ambulance."

(Near conclusion of meeting) Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the Lakeside Firefighters Association does support the addition of a fourth ambulance in the CSA-69, however, wishes to take a neutral position with the major concern being that seven years ago when Proposition F was passed, the voters were told that the exact same service would remain in place with no increase in the benefit tax and no charge to transport patients to a hospital. The Lakeside Firefighters Association would like to see some form of public education campaign at the very least to educate the public on things that have changed.

IV. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS

A. Financial Report

A revised financial report was distributed which was only slightly different than the one that was distributed earlier by mail. An additional \$23,342 in revenue was received, and an additional \$28,286 in expenditures were incurred. Ending Cash Balance and Ending Reserves as of June 30, 2004 were \$1,588,892. Revenues Over Expenditures as of June 30, 2004 were \$47,533.

B. Administrative Report

A work group was requested to begin looking at the future financial picture for CSA-69. **ACTION: Kevin Howe, Ken Coyle and Pat Chambers volunteered to participate in the work group.**

C. Agency Reports

Santee Fire: Medic Four will be replaced in January, 2005.

Lakeside Fire: No report.

V. SUNSET REVIEW

MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Pat Chambers, to approve the CSA-69 Sunset Review for 2004. MOTION carried. It will now be forwarded to the County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors office.

VI. PRESENTATION: FOURTH AMBULANCE

Chief Bob Pfohl, Santee Fire, reiterated the need for a work group to address the financial future of the CSA. He suggested the work group include representatives from the County, CSA-69 Advisory Committee, Lakeside and Santee Fire Departments.

Chief Pfohl then gave a slide presentation on the projected need for a fourth ambulance in the CSA-69 district. Some highlighted comments were:

- July 1, 1975: CSA-69 begins service with one paramedic unit.
- 1976: A second medic unit begins service.
- July 1, 1992: Third medic unit begins service.
- October, 2000: Scripps East County hospital closes.
- Major issues: Call volume has increased, response and transport times are longer, offload delays occur on a regular basis at Sharp Grossmont adding to the total time involved per call.
- 95% of all calls are EMS calls.
- Response times of over ten minutes for paramedic unit ambulances is not desired.
- Increased traffic congestion has caused units to be delayed in transporting and responding.
- BLS responses have significantly increased in the last few years.
- Projected and real population growths in Santee is a concern.
- Start-up cost for a new medic unit would be \$184,000 of which \$130,000 is for the ambulance alone.
- The addition of another paramedic unit will require a staffing increase of six paramedics (two each for three shifts).
- Capital equipment of \$184,000, Personnel \$670,524 and Materials and Supplies \$75,000 amounts to a total one-time start-up cost of \$929,524.

VII. SET NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, November 4, 2004, rather than the 2nd Thursday of November which is a County holiday, (Veterans Day, November 11) 4:00 p.m. at the Lakeside Fire Department Administrative Office.

MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Dustin Burns, to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Merle Rupp, Board Secretary,
County EMS

